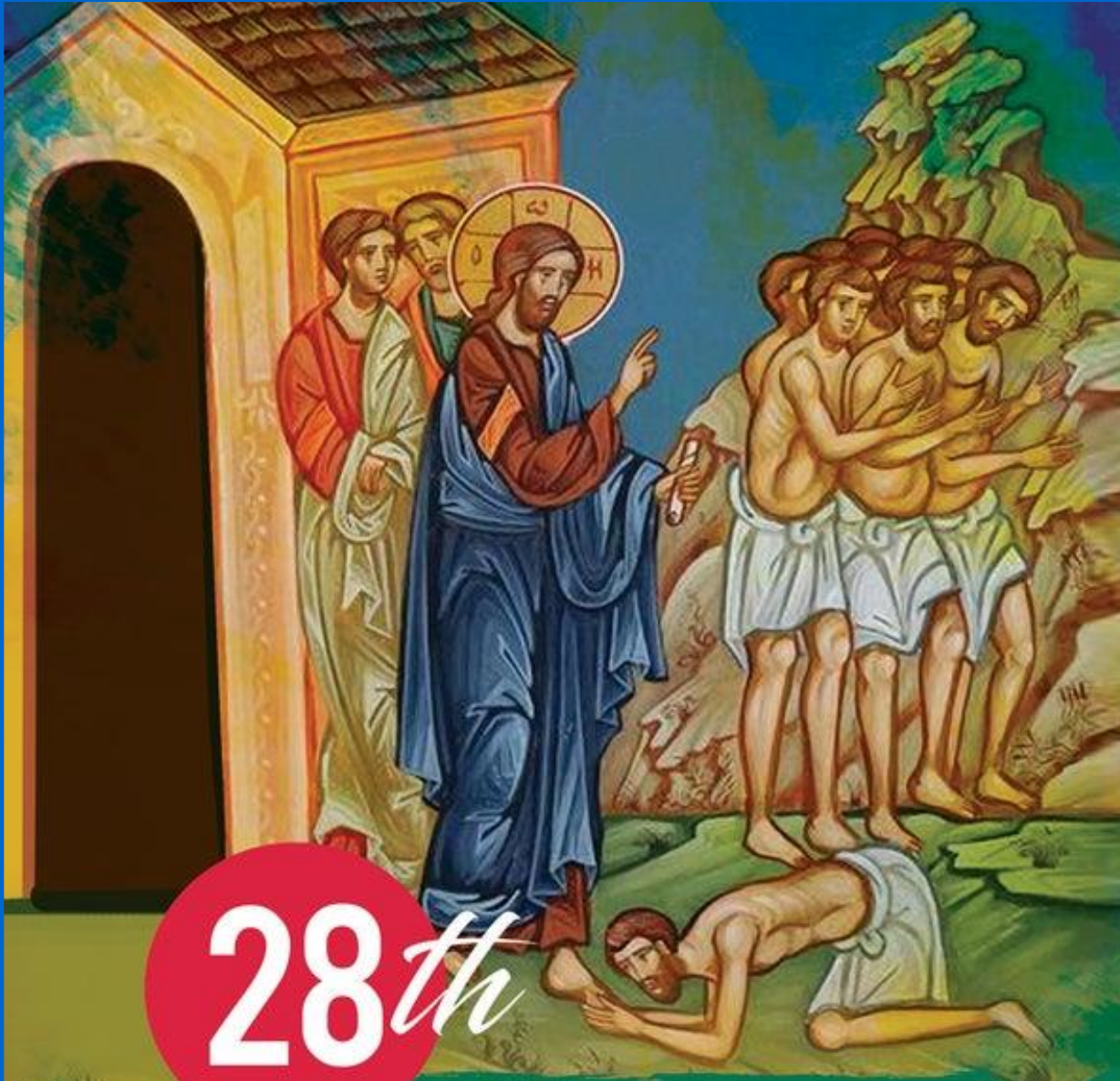


# IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CATHOLIC CHURCH SPARKS, NV



**28<sup>th</sup>**

**SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

Jesus said in reply, "Ten were cleansed, were they not? Where are the other nine? Has none but this foreigner returned to give thanks to God?"  
- Lk 17:17-18

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October 9, 2022

# IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CATHOLIC CHURCH 2900 NORTH MCCARRAN BLVD SPARKS NV 89431



## MISSION STATEMENT

We, the people of Immaculate Conception Parish, are called to be Holy, and to serve all people faithfully with compassion and respect.

## OUR MOTTO

“Diversitas intra Unitatem”  
“Diversity within Unity”

## THE CHURCH

Pastor	Fr Philip George
Parochial Vicar	Fr Lucio Zuñiga
Deacon	Ron Klonicke
Pastoral Associate	Maria Hernandez
Bookkeeper	Suzanna Corral
Receptionist	Margarita Jauregui
Communications/Receptionist	Meredith Michel
Custodian	Rachel Dixon
Parish Office	358-5977
Fax	775-403-2174
Email	office@icsparks.org
Parish Website	icsparks.org
Diocesan Website	www.renodiocese.org
Office Hours	M-F: 9:30 am - 4:00 pm

## PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

Fr. Philip George	Leo Carew	Malou Alano
Fr. Lucio Zuñiga	Fran Harris	Joseph Allen
Tom Ball	Clay Vatikani	Theresa Currivan
Cintia Teglia	Melissa Flores	

## PARISH FINANCE COUNCIL

Fr. Philip George	Judy Jennings
Fr. Lucio Zuñiga	Lois Crook
William Sousa	Gilles Tousignant

## CORPORATE BOARD MEMBERS

Bishop Daniel Mueggenborg	William Sousa
Fr. Chuck Durante	Joseph Allen
Fr. Philip George	

## MASS SCHEDULE

**Saturday:** 4:00 pm Vigil Mass

**Sunday:** 7:30, 9:30, 11:30 am, 2:00 (Spanish), & 5:00 pm

**Weekdays:** 9:00 am and 4:00 pm

**Holy Day Masses:** 4:00 pm (Vigil Mass), 9:00 am,  
12:10 & 4:00 pm

## CELEBRATION OF THE SACRAMENTS

**Baptism** We welcome all families with young children. The 1st step for the parents is to attend a class; they are held on the 1st Wednesday of every month at 6:00 pm. When choosing your child's Godparents, they must be baptized, confirmed, receive communion regularly in the Church, and if married, must be married in the Catholic Church.

**Clases para Bautizo (Español)** se imparten en el primer miércoles de cada mes a las 6:00 horas en la sala. Para obtener más información, por favor llame 358-5977.

**Weddings** Couples should allow 4-6 months or more for preparation prior to the anticipated wedding date. Call for appointment.

**Funerals** A representative of the deceased should contact the Parish Office to make arrangements.

**Confession** Monday-Friday after Daily Mass;  
Saturday 2:00-3:30 pm or by appointment.

## CELEBRATIONS

### **Celebraciones Quinceañeras**

Para los arreglos, por favor llame 358-5977

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION FOR OUR YOUTH AUGUST - MAY

### **Elementary/Middle/High School Director**

358-5989 ext 13

### **High School Confirmation Director**

358-5989 ext 14

## GIFT SHOP

Hours: Sunday after Mass

Manager: Sergio Cortes cortessergio765@sbcglobal.net

**MASS INTENTIONS FOR OCTOBER 9**

Saturday, October 8

9:00 am + Hector Nunez

4:00 pm Special Intentions for Johnathan Jacob Barajas

Sunday, October 9

7:30 am + Sergio Cortez Happy Birthday

9:30 am + Peggy Martin

11:30 am + Earl Jones and for his Living & Deceased Family Members

2:00 pm + Reynaldo, Victoria, Nicolas, & Maria de la Paz Magallanes

5:00 pm Megan Skaar for peace & freedom from pain & Parishioners & Benefactors of our Parish by our Pastor

Monday, October 10

9:00 am + Gloria Pedro

4:00 pm + Gerry Arobio

Tuesday, October 11

9:00 am + Imelda Mora de Ojeda

4:00 pm + Nora June Martinez

Wednesday, October 12

9:00 am + John Sr.

4:00 pm Special Intentions for Dan & Judith Gearhart

Thursday, October 13

9:00 am + Cleo Hudson

4:00 pm + Gene St. Mary

Friday, October 14

9:00 am + MaryAnne & Living & Deceased Members of her Family

4:00 pm + Ofelia Serranofelix

Saturday, October 15

9:00 am + Erasmo Aguilera

4:00 pm + Louise Bianchini-Harper



**GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE**

**28th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Ten lepers were cured. Only one returned to give thanks. When we fall victim to entitlement, we diminish our capacity to love. Never satisfied, we walk around with outstretched arms, eagerly searching for the next thing we want so that we can acquire it ourselves. Very rarely do entitled hands hold anything to freely give away to others. Entitled hands also find it challenging to reach toward heaven in a gesture of gratitude and praise. We are often more obsessed with celebrating our victories, securing our assets, safeguarding our futures, and stacking the deck of life in our favor rather than relishing and absorbing the gift of the moment and blessings received. Entitled people find it difficult to pray properly. When the subject of our prayer is mostly about our needs and wants, we are falling into the trap of deception. We foolishly try to convince God that our tiny worlds are of greater importance than His. In ancient times, people would offer sacrifices to “the gods” to secure protection and favors. Our God desires mercy, not sacrifice, because He is about love and justice, not simply meeting our agendas. Every breath is a gift. Prayer, which is a celebration of that gift, acknowledges the Giver. Prayer strengthens the bond between Giver and receiver, creating a deepening awareness that nothing I am or anything I have can exist apart from His Divine Will. It also reminds us that we have done nothing to merit the unconditional love and mercy God showers upon us. Prayer is not just about getting what I need but celebrating who I am. For St. Therese of Lisieux prayer is “a surge of the heart; it is a simple look turned toward heaven, it is a cry of recognition and of love, embracing both trial and joy.” When our hearts “surge” toward God, we rush to the Source of our restoration and wholeness, knowing our longing for God’s Divine embrace. Prayer is a response to God’s graciousness with an act of gratitude returned by us. In prayer, we gaze upon each other in that sacred space where I give myself to God as He is, and God gives Himself to me as I am. We cannot take another step without saying thank you.

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**SUPPORT WOMEN AND SAVE BABIES IN RENO!**

September 28th to November 6th



THAT is our goal as we pray alongside other Christians as part of the national 40 Days for Life prayer crusade. We will show God’s love to our local community as we gather to pray weekly for 40 days from 7am-7pm outside our local Reno abortion clinic, West End Women’s Medical Group (5915 Tyrone Road in Reno). The 40 days will be from September 28th to November 6th. But we need YOU! We are calling YOU and your family and friends to come and pray with us to save the lives of unborn babies! Sign up for a time slot at the table in the back after all services or contact Debbie Havey at [debbiehavey734@gmail.com](mailto:debbiehavey734@gmail.com). Learn more at [40daysforlife.com/Reno](http://40daysforlife.com/Reno).

## IMMACULATE CONCEPTION SAFETY AWARENESS TEAM (ICSAT)



**Safety is Everybody's Business**

**Mission Statement:** To develop church safety and emergency preparedness procedures for the Parish through awareness education of our parishioners in order to mitigate, prepare, respond, and recover from unexpected events by promoting personal, family, and parish preparedness resulting in a culture of safety and preparedness awareness for the individual and the Immaculate Conception family. For more information, please contact the Parish Office

## BAPTISM CLASS

The next **Baptism Class** for parents of infants will be Wednesday, November 2, 2022 at 6:00 pm in the hall.

**Clases para Bautizo ( Español ) :**

La clase será el Miercoles, 2 de Noviembre, 2022 a las 6:00 pm en la sala.



Worldwide Marriage Encounter is offering a weekend experience for couples and religious. We will be having a weekend here in Reno on

November 12<sup>th</sup>-13<sup>th</sup>. It will be held at St. Rose of Lima. It is a non-residential experience which means the couples will go home on Saturday evening and come back to the center on Sunday. This is a time to Restore, Rekindle and Renew your relationship with your spouse. We say that not everyone needs a weekend, they deserve a weekend. Go to [wwme.org](http://wwme.org) for more information. To register go to [sacramentowwme.org](http://sacramentowwme.org). If you have any questions you can also contact Jim and Mary Carr at 775-742-1123.

## PARISH MINISTRIES

*Please call the Parish Office to have a Ministry Leader contact you.*

### Prayer Groups

**ICC Filipino Ministry/BLD Charismatic Group**

Malou Alano

**Padre Pio Ministry**

Meets every third Thursday at 6:00 pm in the parlor

**Disciples of Jesus & Mary** Jeannie Keyes, Michele Jenkins

**Divine Mercy Committee** Maria Hernandez

**Grupo de Oracion** Maria Hernandez

**Lay Carmelites** Eileen Dana

**Prayer and Life Workshop** Maria Hernandez

**Prayer Tree** Laurie Jones, George Mankowski

### Social Groups

**Comité Guadalupano** Vicky Camacho

Meets 4th Monday of the month at 6:00 pm in the parlor.

**Tongan Community** Clay Vatikani [lvatikani@hotmail.com](mailto:lvatikani@hotmail.com)

**Youth Group** [youthgroup@icsparks.org](mailto:youthgroup@icsparks.org)

### Parish Outreach Groups

**Hospital visits** Please call the Parish Office

**Martha Mary Ministry** Call if you are homebound, death in family, senior rides to Mass, home from the hospital, etc.

Karol Davis, Connie Reid

**Mary's Closet** Wednesdays 12:00 - 4:00 pm or by appointment in the parish office for those who need information/support for choosing life for their babies. We have pregnancy information, resources, small baby items, and a supportive listening ear for women and men facing a difficult situation or who just need information. Donations for Mary's Closet can be brought to the parish office.

**Respect Life Committee** Toni Berry

## PARISH ORGANIZATIONS

**Ladies Guild** President Gloria Salcido

Meets 2nd Tuesday of the month at 6:00 pm in the social hall. All ladies of the parish are welcome.

**Knights of Columbus** Meets 2nd Tuesday of the month in the hall. 6PM Rosary, 6:30PM to 7PM Business Meeting, 7PM to 8PM "Into the Breach" **(All Men are welcome)**

Grand Knight Leo Carew III [carewiii@yahoo.com](mailto:carewiii@yahoo.com)

## LEARN YOUR FAITH/RCIA

**An Invitation for Conversion & Full Initiation into the Church**

If you are someone or do you know someone who . . .

- ◇ has expressed an interest in becoming Catholic?
- ◇ was baptized Catholic as a child, but has not celebrated Confirmation & Eucharist?
- ◇ would like to learn more about the Catholic Faith?
- ◇ Everyone is welcome to attend!
- ◇ For more info or to register and receive your books, contact Theresa Currivan, Director - [rcia@icsparks.org](mailto:rcia@icsparks.org)



## TRAINING FOR VOLUNTEERS

Thank you to all of our new and current volunteers! Protecting God's Children is required training for all of our new

volunteers. The next training sessions will be:

October 12 at 5:30 pm

October 29 at 12:00 pm

November 7 in Spanish (call for time)

Please contact the diocese at 775-326-9410 and ask for Elda to schedule your training. If you are interested in becoming a volunteer, please come to the parish office to give us your information.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

<u>Monday, October 10</u>	6:00 am - 10:00 pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 9:00 am & 4:00 pm Mass
<u>Tuesday, October 11</u>	6:00 am - 10:00 pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 9:00 am & 4:00 pm Mass
<u>Wednesday, October 12</u>	6:00 am - 10:00 pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 9:00 am & 4:00 pm Mass
<u>Thursday, October 13</u>	6:00 am - 10:00 pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 9:00 am & 4:00 pm Mass
<u>Friday, October 14</u>	6:00 am - 8:30 am Saturday Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 9:00 am & 4:00 pm Mass
<u>Saturday, October 15</u>	4:00 pm Sunday Vigil Mass
<u>Sunday, October 16</u>	7:30, 9:30, and 11:30 am, 5:00 pm Mass 2:00 pm Spanish Mass

ST. JOHN XXIII, POPE  
FEAST DAY OCTOBER 11



Saint John XIII was born Angelo Giuseppe Roncalli on November 25, 1881, in a small village in Italy. He was ordained in 1904 and later earned a doctorate in canon law. During World War I he served as a stretcher-bearer and chaplain for the Italian army. Beginning in 1925 he served as a Vatican diplomat, first in Bulgaria, then in

Greece and Turkey. From 1935 through the Second World War he helped save thousands of Jewish people. In 1944 he was named papal nuncio to France. He was named cardinal and appointed patriarch of Venice in 1953. A quiet pastoral life passing into retirement, however, was not in God’s plan for the saint.

Angelo Giuseppe Roncalli was elected Pope in 1958 and took the name John. His papacy was short, but full of action. He transformed the Vatican, calling for openness, a spirit of ecumenism, and the setting aside of politics. He called the Second Vatican Council in the fall of 1962, the first meeting of its kind in almost a century, setting the agenda to work for the spiritual regeneration of the Church. His efforts changed the face of the Catholic Church. At the same time worked diligently and publicly to ease tensions during the Cuban missile crisis, pleading with leaders for the end of the Cold War.

Saint John XXIII’s kindness, sense of pastoral care, and works of reconciliation and peacemaking made him beloved not only to Catholics but to people around the world. He died on June 3, 1963. He was beatified in 2000 by St. John Paul II, and canonized by Pope Francis in 2014.

**BUBBLES & BITES**  
An evening of spirit tastings & perfectly paired appetizers!

**TICKETS NOW AVAILABLE**  
Saturday, November 12, 2022  
5:00 pm - 8:00 pm  
ICC Parish Hall

\$30.00 Advanced Purchase  
\$35.00 At the Door

Evening Casual Attire  
\*21+ and over event

Ladies Guild  
Immaculate Conception Catholic Church

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

The Zeal of the Convert

When you work in the Church, professionally or on a volunteer basis, you become familiar with the phenomenon known as “the zeal of the recent convert.”

Sometimes, it really seems that the newly baptized are just stronger Catholics than the cradle Catholics. They smile more at Mass. They are awestruck by the Eucharist. They come out of the confessional beaming.

It’s not that they are naive. It’s not that they are in some honeymoon phase of religion, living outside of reality. It’s simply that they remember. They remember what it felt like before the Eucharist or before Confession. They recall before the sacraments and the oil and the grace and the relief. It was more recent for them than for some of us older Catholics — especially those of us who were baptized as infants.

Let’s ask ourselves: Have we become too comfortable? Do we receive God’s grace with expectation instead of surprise? Have we ceased to marvel and wonder at the goodness of God? If the answer is a resounding yes, don’t despair. Look at the Gospel — a literal nine times out of ten, God goes un-thanked and unnoticed.

So many of us have forgotten, or never understood, what it meant when the leprosy was washed from our souls. But when we remind ourselves, we become more keenly aware of the extraordinariness of the gift we have received.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS ©LPi

## MASS READINGS

For the Week of October 9

**Monday:** Galatians 4:22-24, 26-27, 31-5:1; Luke 11:29-32

**Tuesday:** Galatians 5:1-6; Luke 11:37-41

**Wednesday:** Galatians 5:18-25; Luke 11:42-46

**Thursday:** Ephesians 1:1-10; Luke 11:47-54

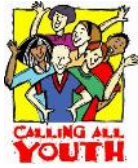
**Friday:** Ephesians 1:11-14; Luke 12:1-7

**Saturday:** Ephesians 1:15-23; Luke 12:8-12

**Sunday:** Exodus 17:8-13; 2 Timothy 3:14-4:2/Luke 18:1-8



## YOUTH NIGHT



**October 16th**

**6:00 pm - 8:00 pm**

All youth, grades 6-12 are invited to our Youth Night. The event will be held in the church hall after the 5:00 pm Sunday mass.

## DONATIONS FOR CATHOLIC CHARITIES

The Ladies Guild will be collecting specific donations each month for Catholic Charities of Northern Nevada.

**October: Jackets and Hoodies**

Please bring your donations to the Parish Office. Thank you for your support!

## CHILDREN'S LITURGY IS BACK!



Children's Liturgy will be offered during the Sunday 11:30 am Mass.

### ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

**Monday - Thursday 6:00 am - 10:00 pm**

**Friday 6:00 am - 8:30 am Saturday**

Please sign the sheet each time  
you visit with our Lord.

### ADORACIÓN DEL SANTÍSIMO

**Lunes-Jueves 6:00 am - 10:00 pm**

**Viernes 6:00 am - 8:30 am Sábado**

Por favor firme la hoja cada  
vez que visite con  
nuestro Señor



## PROJECT RACHEL

### A Post-Abortion Healing Ministry

Project Rachel is a post-abortion healing ministry, a nonjudgmental and confidential Catholic outreach to women and men of all religions who have experienced the trauma of abortion. Anyone who has emotional, mental, and spiritual pain can find truth and healing. Project Rachel is named after the Old Testament figure Rachel, who weeps inconsolably for her children "who are no more" until God came to her, offering hope for her future (Jeremiah 31:15-17). God is all loving, forgiving, and merciful, and in His name the Church reaches out to you with compassion and hope. Please find out more about us at [www.renodiocese.org](http://www.renodiocese.org)

## VOCATIONS



"Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!" How will you respond in gratitude to the mercy the Lord has shown you? Consider giving thanks as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life? Contact Father Philip George at (775) 358-5977.

"¡Jesús, Maestro, ten piedad de nosotros!" ¿Cómo responderá con gratitud a la misericordia que el Señor le ha mostrado? Considera dar gracias como sacerdote, diácono o en la vida consagrada. Para mas informacion, llamar al Padre Phillip Geroge 775-358-5977.

## LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

### Adoration

Emily Robbins

### Adult Choir

Andrea Santos

### Family Choir

Joe Mudd

### Filipino-American Choir

Leo Molino

### Multicultural Choir

Teresa Bouldin

### 5:00 pm Tongan Choir

Liuaki Tausinga

### Altar Servers

Gloria Salcido

### Eucharistic Minister Coordinator

Please call the Parish Office

### Homebound Eucharistic Ministers

For parishioners who are homebound or in a nursing home and cannot attend Mass.

### Lector Coordinator

Maria Reames

Debbie Havey

### Sound/Video Coordinator

Himanshu Patel

### Usher Coordinator

Dalene Melzer

*Please call the Parish Office to have a  
Ministry Leader contact you*

## PRAYER LIST

Your prayers are needed for the recovery . . .

Fr Jim Fugle, Sr Mora McGarry, Sr Gertrude, Chicago Fam, Corinna Osgood, Kristy Burch-Weinberg, Maureen Flynn, Marie Kiley, Kehmeier Fam, Caruso/Kelly Fam, Grayson McClure, Michon Holland, Sarah Lopez, Lucy Salazar, Michael Lucey, Linda Giddins, Ray Redford, Mitzkus Fam, Leathers Fam, Tammy Henderson, John Marsala, Angie Franco, Hummel Fam, Mary Carter, Brenda Thompson, Kuykendall Fam, Jose Gastelum, Aaron Martinez, Hernandez Fam, Alisa Cerda, Freddy Mercado, Laura Kurtz, Irene LaRocca, Richard Manion, Jerry Joyce, Alan Blain Davis, Barbra Gonzales, John Carniglia, Michael Lazzarini, Ardith Lance, Angie Pinard, Mayra Fam, Dereck Machabee, Mark Gardiner Fam, Forrest Mitchell Fam, Davis Fam, David Rincon, Ethan James Noin, Julia Garcia, Manuela & Guadalupe Rodriguez, Francine Roche, Marie Mazza, Rubino Fam, Sandi Puliti, Mary Janet Kennedy, Kingston Doss, Judy Medek, Julianna Strauss, Rita Russo, Miguel Rivera, Guadalupe Martinez, Rickey McDowell, Sherry Simas, Alma Garcia, Karen Prukop, Sergio Carillo-Lopez, Nanette Smith, Tellers Fam, Raul Debora, Jared Rutherford, Nelson Recinos, Mario Mendez, Ryan Cowles, Sam Macaluso, Rebekah Lucey, Elba Quiñonez, Jo & Ken Barrett, Katherine O'Dwyer, Guillermo Romero, Jim Jones, Liz Kuhn, John Dively, Ken Dixon, Sandra-Wayne Families, Julita D. Gonzales, Donna Strong, Charlie Becerra, Allan Lucas, Tina Pacheco, Mary Farias, Gabriel Nerey, Bernie Cendana, Jean Cracraft, Melanie Cooper, Lupito Espinoza, Mary Salas, Jaime Rodriguez, Rachel Rapier, Marge DeCarbonel, John Peschetti, Don B, Mary Ward, Justin Siaz, Sylvia Jauregui, Jose Refugio Barajas Heredia, Jose Carlos Barreiro, Maurice O'Brien, Rosario Cervantez, Jennifer Gomolka, Carolyn Brock, Maria Bautista, Martha Antonia Pena, Diana Arellano, Fatima de la Riva Gallegos, Jamie Phelps Fam, Alexander Alonzo Halangahu, Amelia Orozco, Nick Becerra, Ryan Foster, Jesse Lee, John Harn, Derek Machabee & Fam, Sally Ann Milburn Fam, Steven Wagstaff, Carusso Family, Dennis Thompson, Gloria Lorelli, George Kuz, Richard Mann, Arturo & David Orozco, Jodi Blambury, Heriberto Morfin Rodriguez, Rafaela Rivera, Angela Rivera, Jinny Young, Christine M, Phillip Heath, Pablo Detimofeev, Donna Macabee, Brent Erichsen, Phyllis Erichsen, Yesenia Quinonez, Carla Beier, Jeffrey & Rafael Lemus, Jim & Leota Madding, Roger Pechacek, John Menicucci, Susan Song, Jessica Linde, Michel Linde, Lisa Salcido, Gerardo & Maria Ojeda, Glen Heywood, Janet Grauvogel, Larry Madera, Bob Teixeira, John Bilka, Abraham Bravo Pena Please call when they recover . . .

## MILITARY PRAYER LIST



**Navy:** Max McGuire, Julian Carrillo, Joe Amper, Alex Foster

**Air Force:** Joshua Cox, Lucas Cusato, Chad Gogle, Nelida Mendoza, Richard Martinez, Jesse Roy Ladaban

**Marines:** Hunter DeFabrizio, Patrick McGuire, Mariano Liano, Christian Monarrez

**Army:** Ryan Long, Anthony Ross, Adonis Oldenburg, Spencer Stockton

**Coast Guard:** Mason Misquez

Please pray for their safe return . . .

## MASS TIMES WHEN TRAVELING

Visit [www.masstimes.org](http://www.masstimes.org)  
for church locations and worship times  
anywhere in the world.

